SUBJECT No. 152.

Leasing out toddy shops.

Messrs. Krishnamurti, Maralu Siddappa and Dasappa, Arsikere Taluk; Nanjegowda, Manjarabad Taluk; and Nittur Nanjundaiya, Chikmagalur Municipality.

Note.—Not taken up for discussion.

SUBJECT No. 153.

Tapping of Bagani trees by *Hiduvalidars*.

Messrs. C. Vasudeva Rao and B. Kesavaiya, Chikmagalur Taluk, N. Nanjundaiya, Chikmagalur Municipality; and T. Narasinga Rao, North Mysore Native Planters' Association.

Note.—Not taken up for discussion.

SUBJECT No. 154.

Excise revenue in Municipalities.

Mr. M. S. Ramachar, Kolar Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—The Municipalities concerned may be consulted in respect of the location of excise shops and the opening of new ones within their area and the revenue derived from this source may be credited to these bodies to be spent on education and sanitation.

Mr. S. R. Balakrishna Rao said that Municipalities were as a rule poor and that in the larger ones the demand on the Municipal funds was great especially on account of sanitation and education. To meet such expenditure it was desirable to give them a portion of the Excise Revenue realized in those areas, particularly as such revenue was comparatively large owing to various causes, such as, industrial and other activities and the existence of a large population.

Mr. B. Kesaviah pointed out that a resolution to this effect was passed in the Local Self-Government Conference held in 1914, and stated that effect might be given to it.

Reply of Government.—Municipal bodies are being consulted as regards the location of shops, and the subject of assigning a portion of excise revenue to Municipalities will be considered along with other Local Self-Government proposals which are engaging the attention of Government.

SUBJECT No. 155.

Abolition of raiyats' liability for payment of tree-tax.

Messrs. Rajanna, Narana Setti and Nanjunda Setti, Maddagiri Taluk.

Note.—Not taken up for discussion.

SUBJECT No. 156.

Prosecution of excise offences.

Mr. Thimmappaiya, Manjarabad Taluk.

Note.—Not taken up for discussion.